

ABSTRACT

A library for cartridges of a data storage tape comprises a drive with a cartridge pocket and a magazine revolving about the drive with a plurality of receivers for the cartridges. The receivers are positionable in front of a cartridge pocket in order to change a cartridge between the receiver and the cartridge pocket. Cartridges can be inserted or removed through a port of the housing of the library into the receiver of the magazine. The cartridge pocket, a receiver positioned in front of the cartridge pocket, and the port of the housing may be linearly aligned such that cartridges can also be inserted through the port directly into the cartridge pocket or can be removed directly from the cartridge pocket through the port.

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